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shall.

SENATOR DIERKS: I see. Now what...if you have some idea, what are some of the other services that the ESU provides besides those three core services?

SENATOR HARTNETT: I think in certain areas they provide special education and so forth. And I think part of that, as I understand it, part of that is done by a contract. If you have a school district wants to use the special education services, and that will be funded by the cent and a half locally plus, you know, what the, what the individual school districts put into the, into the fund.

SENATOR DIERKS: So that would include things like psychology, speech impediments...

SENATOR HARTNETT: Yeah, yeah. And all those programs, Senator Dierks, would have to be approved by two-thirds of the school districts representing over half of the, of the students. So it's given, I think it's given much more accountability to the local districts, to decide, you know, what services that they want provided, both with, you know, both areas.

SENATOR DIERKS: So the 1.5 cents is going to fund special ed services and administration, is that it?

SENATOR HARTNETT: I think a lot of times right now, Senator Dierks, that those, like special ed and so forth, is on a contractual basis. Some...and then also they're, they're kind of a, kind of a flow through because I think a lot of the special ed comes from the, you know, from the state. So it's simply a, as I understand it.

SENATOR DIERKS: Okay, thank you.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you, Senator Dierks. Chair recognizes Senator Stuhr.

SENATOR STUHR: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the body. I rise in support of Senator Wickersham's amendment and also for the committee amendment. Actually, as Senator Hartnett